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CARTER DOCUMENTS

JENNINGS: There are still a lot of questions to be answered about the Carter documents. Almost every day there has been either a new name or another document. Now, a Reagan campaign volunteer has surfaced, and he says the material he collected came straight from the Carter White House. Here's our national correspondent Barry Serafin.

SERAFIN: Daniel Jones, a volunteer worker in the Reagan campaign, has acknowledged to ABC News that he sent information to campaign superiors from what he described as a mole in the Carter administration. The documents, which dealt with administration economic policy and President Carter's travel schedule, carry Jones' notation that they came from a 'White House mole.' Jones insists he does not know the informant's name, but describes him as very innocuous, very low-level. Jones, a lawyer, has hired a lawyer who says any further statements will be made to authorities. GEORGE FOOTE (Jones' Attorney): He's on his way right now to contact the Justice Department and, and offer to tell them everything he knows about it.

SERAFIN: The Jones memos were addressed to campaign officials William Casey, Ed Meese, and Robert Gray. None remembered seeing them. ROBERT GRAY (Former Reagan Campaign Aide): No one ever said let's see if we can find an inside plant or... Nothing of that kind occurred. Nobody was under any such instructions.

SERAFIN: In another development, the New York Times today quoted Reagan administration officials as saying there was an information gathering operation within the Reagan campaign which involved a number of retired CIA officials. The sources identified Stefan Halper, a campaign aide who monitored press reports and worked on position papers, as the man in charge. HALPER (Former Reagan Campaign Aide): It's flatly untrue. I mean, there is absolutely no basis to that allegation. There was not such a formal network of, of, as you say a spook network, that I know of.

SERAFIN: Also today, sources say Richard Allen, Mr. Reagan's foreign policy adviser during the campaign, met with the staff of the House subcommittee investigating the entire controversy. Allen has still not publically named the source of National Security Council material he received. The rapidly multiplying allegations have already begun to tax the resources of the subcommittee, and the panel may bring in experienced outside counsel to help out. Barry Serafin, ABC News, Washington.